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Irma, Alberta, Friday, December 3, 1943

## Red Cross Notes

The war work branch have a shipping requisition for rags salvage that is good only to December 9th, and the ladies of the sewing circle want to pack a shipment Tuesday, December 7th so come on, friends, dig out that rag bag, box or what have you? Give what you find, and we will bring it to the Legion Hall on Tuesday, December 7th. How about it, ladies? Are we going to

have five hundred pounds to send in? If we do, we will receive the next little sum of ten dollars. Isn't that worth a try for?

## EYES TESTED, GLASSES FITTED

Thos. G. Dark, eyesight consultant and registered optometrist, will be at:  
Irma Drug Store, 9 to 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 15th.  
Viking Drug Store, 12 to 3, Wednesday, Dec. 15th.

## TEACHERS

If you need a Christmas tree, oranges, apples, candies, sugar cookies, popcorn or suckers, tell us now.

Dressed turkeys, ducks, geese and chicken bought any day from now till Xmas. — Elford's, Irma.

Some folks have paid their subscriptions to the Irma Times for the second year. To those who have not paid for the first year, how about it? You received the paper the same as others.

## Obituary

Mrs. Helen Robertson, beloved wife of Donald L. Robertson, passed away at the Viking Hospital on November 22nd, 1943.

The late Mrs. Robertson, nee Helen Mary Haggarty, was born in the year 1883, at Wolfestown, P.Q., and came west to British Columbia in 1902.

On June 21st, 1915, she became the bride of Donald L. Robertson, at Vancouver, where they made their home until 1921, when they moved to the Irma district.

Mrs. Robertson leaves to mourn her loss besides her husband, one son and one daughter; Leslie and Eileen, two brothers, of Black Lake, Quebec; and two grandchildren.

The funeral service was held in St. Theresa Church at Irma, Rev. Father Ehmman officiating.

The pallbearers were Messrs. F. C. Wiese, H. Halvorsen, C. C. Riddle, L. Meyer, J. J. Kennedy and J. Donaghy.

Flowers and spiritual offerings were received from the following: Dad, Bill and Eileen, Leslie and Wilma; Haggarty Family; Mary, Jim and family; Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Currie; Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Currie; Mrs. McRoberts; Mr. and Mrs. H. Halvorsen; Mr. and Mrs. A. Halvorsen; Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Wiese and family; Mr. and Mrs. A. Long and family; Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Riddle and family; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Milburn; Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Jones; Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Fischer; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Fischer; Mr. and Mrs. W. Renwick; Mrs. Edith Elliott and family; Mr. and Mrs. McMillan and Neil; Mrs. McCartney, Edward and Helen; Mrs. In-kin and family; Mr. and Mrs. Frickleton; Mr. and Mrs. J. Glover; Mr. and Mrs. H. Glover; Mr. and Mrs. L. Meyer; Mr. and Mrs. G. A. O'Connor and Audrey O'Connor.

## NEWS ITEMS FROM JARROW

### OBITUARY

Early Thursday morning, Nov. 25th, saw the passing of William Comley, of Jarrow, at the age of 83 years.

Mr. Comley was in excellent health right up to the end, and was in Jarrow the previous evening on business.

He leaves to mourn his loss his widow, and son, of Jarrow, a daughter, Mrs. Frank Murray, of Kinsella.

William Comley left England with his first wife and two children in 1911, where prior to coming to Canada, he was employed by the Great Western Railway in Swinton Wilts, and also served on the Council, later he moved to Somerset, where he filled the position of state agent.

He came straight to Alberta and settled on C.P.R. land 7 miles south of Jarrow, where he became well known and respected.

During the past years he has shown the true pioneering spirit in many ways, serving his community in public offices. His funeral was held on Saturday at the I.O.F.E. church at Irma.

### IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of my dear mother, Mrs. John McCreadie, who died November 30, 1936; also my dear father, who passed a few years later, August 28, 1939. — John McCreadie.

There is someone who misses you sadly, And finds the time long since you went.

There is someone who thinks of you always, And tries to be brave and content.

— Ever remembered by  
a Loving Daughter.

Serving all of the main course on one large plate saves steps and dishes. — Mrs. J. B. Stiles.

## Church News

### UNITED CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday, December 5.  
Albert—Public Worship—2 p.m.  
Alma Mater—Public Worship—4 p.m.

Irma—Sunday School—11 a.m.  
Public Worship—7:30 p.m.  
A hearty invitation to all.

### LUTHERAN CHURCH

J. B. Stiles, Pastor  
December 5th, 1943.

SHARON—  
Divine Service with Communion—11:30.

### ST. MARY'S ANGLICAN

Regular afternoon service will be held at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, December 12, inst.

### CHRISTIAN AND MISSIONARY ALLIANCE

Irma Tabernacle — 2:15 p.m.  
Bible School Classes for all.

3:30 p.m.—Gospel Sermon.  
Hardisty (Oddfellows Hall) — 8:30 p.m.—Gospel Service.

A very hearty welcome to all.  
"Look unto Me and be ye saved; all the ends of the earth, for I am God, and there is none else." — Isa 45:22.

### LADIES' AID ANNUAL MEET

The annual meeting of the Irma Ladies' Aid will be held Thursday afternoon, December 9th, in the church. The yearly reports will be given and Rev. Mr. Longmire will bring a Christmas message.

A very special invitation is extended to all the ladies who are at all interested in church work, especially to those who helped at the lovely fancy work for the bazaar. Visitors are very welcome.

The Irma A.F.U. Local is holding a meeting in the Irma High School on Wednesday evening, December 8th, at 8:00 p.m. Will the ladies please bring lunch. Coffee has been arranged for.

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### ANNUAL STATEMENT

30th October, 1943

#### RESOURCES

Cash in its Vaults and Money on Deposit with Bank of Canada	\$122,277,005.70
Notes and Cheques on Other Banks Payable in cash on presentation.	50,369,612.03
Money on Deposit with Other Banks Available on demand or at short notice.	41,078,651.11
Government and Other Bonds and Debentures Not exceeding market value. The greater portion consists of Dominion Government and high-grade Provincial and Municipal securities which mature at early dates.	799,462,639.56
Stocks Industrial and other stocks. Not exceeding market value.	385,280.79
Call Loans In Canada \$ 3,350,701.53 Elsewhere 18,686,280.46 Payable on demand and secured by bonds, stocks and other negotiable collateral of greater value than the loans.	22,036,981.99
<b>TOTAL OF QUICKLY AVAILABLE RESOURCES (equal to 83.81% of all Liabilities to the Public)</b>	<b>\$1,035,610,171.18</b>
Loans to Provincial and Municipal Governments including School Districts	17,544,577.50
Commercial and Other Loans In Canada \$215,445,397.05 Elsewhere 10,954,254.27 To manufacturers, farmers, merchants and others, on conditions consistent with sound banking.	226,399,651.32
Bank Premises Two properties only are carried in the names of holding companies; the stock and bonds of these companies are entirely owned by the Bank and appear on its books at \$1.00 in each case. All other of the Bank's premises, the value of which largely exceeds \$13,400,000.00 are included under this heading.	13,400,000.00
Real Estate and Mortgages on Real Estate Sold by the Bank Acquired in the course of the Bank's business and in process of being realized upon.	553,727.65
Customers' Liability under Acceptances and Letters of Credit Represents liabilities of customers on account of Letters of Credit issued and Drafts accepted by the Bank for their account.	17,068,844.05
Other Assets not included in the foregoing (but including refundable portion of Dominion Government taxes \$195,472.75)	2,487,682.99
<b>Making Total Resources of</b>	<b>\$1,313,064,654.69</b>

#### LIABILITIES

<b>Due to the Public</b>	<b>\$1,205,874,791.46</b>
Deposits In Canada \$1,046,857,927.64 Elsewhere 159,016,863.82 Payable on demand or after notice.	
Notes of the Bank in Circulation Payable on demand.	9,790,640.00
Acceptances and Letters of Credit Outstanding Financial responsibilities undertaken on behalf of customers (see off-setting amount in "Resources").	17,068,844.05
Other Liabilities Items not included under the foregoing headings.	2,897,045.82
<b>Total Liabilities to the Public To meet which the Bank has resources as indicated above amounting to</b>	<b>\$1,235,631,321.33</b>
<b>Leaving an excess of Resources over Liabilities, which represents the Shareholders' interest over which Liabilities to the Public take precedence.</b>	<b>\$1,313,064,654.69</b>
Capital \$36,000,000.00 Reserve Fund, Profit & Loss Account and Reserves for Dividends 41,433,333.36	\$ 77,433,333.36

#### PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

Profits for the year ended 30th October, 1943, after making appropriations to Contingent Reserve Fund, out of which Fund full provision for Bad and Doubtful Debts has been made, and after deducting Dominion Government Taxes amounting to \$2,913,194.04 (of which \$165,585.92 is refundable under the provisions of The Excess Profits Tax Act)	\$5,302,854.19
Dividends paid on payable to Shareholders	\$2,160,000.00
Written off Bank Premises	500,000.00
Balance of Profit and Loss Account, 31st October, 1942	\$ 642,834.19
Balance of Profit and Loss carried forward	\$1,236,686.94
	<b>\$1,879,321.13</b>

GEORGE W. SPINNEY,  
President

B. C. GARDNER,  
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## Wedding Bells

### MACMILLAN-CARRINGTON

In the Irma United Church on Saturday, November 27, Rev. E. Longmire solemnized the marriage of Ruby May, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Carrington, to Neil Elmer MacMillan, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm MacMillan. The church was decorated for the ceremony in pink and white streamers with ferns and foliage.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a toe-length gown of white sheer. Her lace veil was held in place by a circlet of white blossoms. She carried a bridal bouquet of American Beauty roses.

Miss Mildred Carrington, sister of the bride, was bridesmaid in a flowered dress of white. Her flowers were red and white carnations.

Mr. Robert Maguire, brother-in-law, attended the bridegroom. The ushers were: Messrs. Clifford McMahon and Jackie Fletcher.

A flowered sheer dress with accessories and a corsage of red roses was the ensemble chosen by the bride's mother. The bridegroom's mother wore a gold dress of alpine with rust accessories, and a corsage of Talisman roses.

During the signing of the register, Mrs. Robert Maguire, the groom's sister, sang "A Perfect Love." Mrs. J. Cameron, a cousin of the groom, was the organist. A reception to 30 guests was held after the ceremony in the dining room of the Wainwright Hotel. Red and white carnations and baby mums decorated the bride's table, which was centered with a three-tiered wedding cake.

For travelling, the bride wore a gold dress with brown accessories. After a short wedding trip, the young couple will make their home in the Irma district.

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AT 2:30 P.M. SHARP

## Films For Education

THERE ARE FEW COMMUNITIES in Canada which are without motion picture theatres and this form of entertainment is accepted part of the life of these times. Within the memory of most of us, the production of moving pictures has shown great development, and there is a vast difference between the early silent pictures, and the finished productions which we see today. While the screen is considered to be primarily a medium of entertainment, there has been, in recent years a growing realization of its value in education, and also for the spreading of propaganda. Many schools in Canada use motion pictures in their classes, and there are now fine libraries of educational films available for this purpose at various centres in the Dominion.

### Films Are Used For Propaganda

The war has given impetus to the use of films for propaganda purposes. The Germans were quick to seize on this method of spreading their doctrines abroad. They also used motion pictures in attempts to terrorize countries into submission in the early days of the war, by circulating films showing Nazi bombing and invasion tactics. Canada, Great Britain, the United States and Russia have used moving pictures to acquaint their people with the extent of their war efforts, and also for educating them in regard to the needs of their countries in wartime. In addition, motion picture photographers have been present on many of the battle fronts and they have made some interesting and remarkable films, some of which are included in the newswires here. The National Film Board in Canada has expanded greatly in recent years and it has produced a number of fine motion pictures dealing with many aspects of the life in Canada at this time.

### Germans Spread Ideas In Europe

It has been suggested that films might prove to be a powerful factor in counteracting the effect of Nazi propaganda on the minds of the people in Occupied Europe. For many months now these people have been bombarded with German ideology and while it is known that their methods have been in no measure as effective as was intended, it will in many instances have left a distorted outlook which will have to be corrected. Mr. Charles Francis Coe, an American motion picture company executive, who visited Canada recently, expressed the opinion that films might be used successfully in this connection. He pointed out that motion pictures created for entertainment, but showing "that there is a spot where decency prevails, where patriotism is not a gesture, and where the valuable things of life flow from the man himself as an entity unto himself, not from a State welded by the grimy, blooded hands of a few dictators," might prove of great value in dealing with this problem.

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### A FIRST-AID KIT IN ONE JAR

### Forgery Proof

### Documents Written On Clay Tablets In Early Days

In Mesopotamia, 3,000 years before Christ, official and legal red tape was highly developed. There as now people had to sign on the dotted line. Although the ancient Near East claims the earliest known systems of writing, its masses remained illiterate. Documents were written on clay tablets by professional scribes but "John Henry's" signature was personally imprinted on the soft clay by means of a seal. The seal was usually in the form of a small stone cylinder, run-roller of the rotary printing machine. It was owned and worn by the signatory who was protected against forgery by the variety and intricacy of its design. The Royal Ontario Museum has recently put on display a fine collection of these ancient seals.

### DIFFERENT IN BRITAIN

Red Clover that resists Canadian and Russian winters by drawing the crown under the soil to keep it warm, may, by doing so under United Kingdom conditions, fall to survive the wet British winter against which the British native species of red clover keeps the crown above ground.

World's largest strawberry market is Wallace, N.C.

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### SMILE AWHILE

First Motorist—"I love the beauties of the countryside."

Second Motorist—"So do I. Sometimes I give 'em a lift."

"John, I hope I don't see you smiling at that girl."

"I hope you didn't, my dear."

First Doctor: "My wife says that if I don't give up golf, she'll leave me."

Second Doctor: "I say—hard luck!"

First Doctor: "Yes, I'll miss her."

Wife: "Goodness, George, this is not our baby. This is the wrong carriage."

Husband: "Quiet. This carriage has rubber tires."

A young man ordered two dozen roses to be sent to his fiancée, and wrote on the card that was to go with them: "A rose for each year of your precious life."

"Throw in an extra dozen," said the florist, "he's a good customer."

The assistant did as he was told. So far the marriage hasn't taken place.

Rural Magistrate—"I'll have to fine you a dollar, Jeff."

Jeff—"I'll have to bury it off you, Judge."

Magistrate—"Great snakes! It was only to get the dollar that I was fined" ye. Git out! Ye ain't guilty, anyway."

Teacher was giving a lesson on the weather idiosyncrasies of March. "What is it," she asked, "that comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb?"

And little Julia in the back row replied: "Father."

"I wish," he said in exasperation, "that some brainless idiot had proposed to you before we were married."

"He did," replied the wife calmly, "and, worse luck, I married him."

A Southern Negro struggled desperately with his draft questionnaire. After much sweating and worry he gave up in despair, returned the paper with a notation: "I see when you die."

"An M.P. is supposed to be familiar with all public questions, isn't he?" asked a friend.

"Yes," replied the M.P., "but not necessarily the answers."

The foster mother approached the teacher anxiously.

"Don't you think Randolph will ever learn to draw?"

"No, madam—that is, unless you harness him to a truck," replied the teacher.

### LACTIS-ORA INSURES A HEALTHFUL GUMS MOUTH

LACTIS-ORA is not new, nor is it a mouth wash. DENTISTS have used it for 15 years for bleeding, sore inflamed gums, trench mouth, pyorrhea, halitosis (bad breath) and all infections of the gums.

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## Our Boys And Girls On Active Service

(By J. G.)

GOSH, you could catch your breath at the bravery (added to nonchalance) of some of our fighting lads. Take Telegraphist Chuck, of the Royal Canadian Navy, who hails from Calgary. A grin on his face, this 21-year-old boy though still suffering, lies on a hospital bed and says casually: "I guess you might say I just reached the end of my luck." He had the lower part of both legs amputated when a 2,000-lb bomb ripped through the port bulkhead of the sailing line on his ship, sliced his legs from under him, careened out the starboard side and exploded at the water line. Once before he was torpedoes and clung to wreckage 12 hours before being picked up.

The Navy researchers have discovered a secret formula for seasickness which will help our sailors in rough weather. It is taken in the form of a pink pill two hours before sailing and lasts eight hours, when another can be taken if needed. Resistant to seasickness that if you are seasick or very sick, lie down; don't read. As soon as you are better get into the fresh air and try to keep something on your stomach. In addition to your belt. Good hot food is recommended.

Just 19 years old, during his second ops flight, Ptl. Sgt. Ken Pulham of Vancouver, blew a Nazi Junkers 88 to bits as it braved his guns. He was on one of the Thunderbolt squadron ships. As they approached the target his bomb aimer, Terry Proudlock, of Kindersley, said he was in some telling bursts at another enemy fighter.

Awards of the D.F.C. have been made to two Westerners, FO. W. G. Dodd of Whitecourt, Man., and FO. J. Ashton of Victoria, B.C. At the same time a similar award went to P.O. H. T. Moose Mossop of Thornhill, Ont., who heavily armed Typhoon fighter boats 19 little locomotives painted on its starboard door. Ashton's award includes the citation that once he attacked an objective so low his plane was struck by flying debris.

Among the instructors at the "University of Flying" in England, the Empire Central Flying School, were sent to New Week which given post graduate polish, are SL. R. C. Stovel of Winnipeg, and SL. R. Newcome of Saskatoon, Sask.

"Ashore and afloat the Navy League cares for the sailors," is the slogan adopted for Navy Week which will be held from Nov. 21 to Nov. 27, when attention will be focused throughout the nation on the men of the Navy and Merchant Navy and the work of the Navy League among them. Organized in 1917, it has 22 branches, clubs and entertainment centres.

Petty Officer Art Cordy, of Winnipeg, has lots of exciting stories to tell now that he's back posted in port, because his eyes aren't quite up to standard. "I was called 'White' tied up at a Med. port when I was attacked by a swarm of Nazi dive bombers. I never was so scared in my life. They blew the stern off a freighter not 30 yards from us. We were deluged with bolts, rivets and bricks from the jetties. They straddled us with bombs, but we weren't touched."

Leading Wren Joan Cole of Calgary, Alta., has a unique job. At a town on the banks of the Welland Canal, she does liaison work for the navy, boarding Allied naval military and coast guard vessels passing through the canal, one of the busiest man-made waterways in the world. She interviews captains, getting information for the navy authorities.

## For Benefit Of Goebbels

As To Who Was "Sold Down" At The Moscow Conference

There seems to be doubt in the German mind about the quality and direction of the salesmanship involved in the recent Moscow conference and a four-power agreement among Russia, Britain, China and the United States. The doubt is apparent in Nazi propaganda.

For example, Berlin broadcasts beamed at Britain and the United States asserted that the Moscow agreement constituted an Anglo-American sell-out to Stalin. And Berlin broadcasts beamed at Russia called it a sell-out on the part of Stalin and Molotov to Britain and the United States.

The question of who sold out to whom seems to be bothering Joe Goebbels and his boys. For their benefit it might be suggested that the only selling incident to the Moscow agreement was not "out" but "down" and had to do with Hitler and Company and any river they care to name—Buffalo Courier-Express.

## HAVE HIGHER PROTEIN

Soybeans produced in Manitoba and Alberta under somewhat drier conditions appear to have a tendency for slightly higher protein and lower oil content than soybeans produced in other provinces where the moisture supply is normally more abundant.

## Hard On Fishermen

British Columbia's Sockeye Run Was Comparative Failure This Year

Last year there was an exceptionally large run of Sockeye in the Fraser River, due to unusually favorable spawning conditions four years earlier. That run gave rise to exaggerated ideas in the minds of the public as to the earnings of fishermen and the profits of the industry. This year, there is a different story. And in order that the public may see the picture in true perspective, they should be made aware of the facts.

As at October 2 the Sockeye caught in the Fraser this year amounted to 72,000 cases. This is about one-sixth of the total at the same date last year when the pack was 434,701 cases. The average pack from 1938 to 1942 inclusive was 201,000 cases. This year's pack therefore is only about one-third of the five-year average.

These cold facts mean many heart-breaks to fishermen and their families. They represent homes in which there will be actual shortage of the good things of life which are available to nearly all other classes of workers. They also represent serious losses to many small investors who have risked their money in providing the fishermen with necessary equipment, and in providing the companies with the means of processing the fish caught. A bad season requires about the same number of boats, the same amount of fishing gear and the same advance preparations as a good year.

In fairness to one of British Columbia's leading industries, the public should better understand that fishing is much of a gamble. A necessary gamble, but a gamble for all that—Vancouver Province.



## THESE ARE OUR CHILDREN

"They shall inherit the earth."

"Yes, we believe this, but first comes the primary need of keeping the heritors alive to possess their own," says Otto Zoff in a powerful article given prominence in the November issue of Survey Graphic magazine.

"What have we done to the children of the world," Mr. Zoff asks. What is to become of them? Something has occurred that is beyond man's ability to grasp."

For about 150 years there has been a steadily growing movement to protect the lives of children, their health and their spiritual development, the author mentions, reviewing in particular the seeming awakening of the nations, in the breathing space between the wars, to the rights and needs of children everywhere. Then came the undoing. Bombs, gun-fire, famine and slavery have broken the bodies of hundreds of thousands of children and youth lies crumpled with the noble resolutions of yesterday.

In their thankfulness that bombs and famine have not yet touched their children, Canadians are prone to overlook that there are other enemies that prey on child life.

It is estimated that since the present war began, 86,000 infants have died in Canada—thousands of them from diseases that could have been prevented if their parents had protected them by simple, available methods.

"Throughout Canada last year there were nearly 3,000 cases of diphtheria and more than 18,000 cases of whooping cough," according to Dr. E. Couture, director of the Division of Child and Maternal Hygiene, Federal Department of Pensions and National Health.

"These two preventable diseases caused over 800 deaths. One marvels that parents are so slow and negligent in having their children safeguarded when the means are so harmless and so readily available."

The infant mortality rate for British Columbia in 1942 was 35 per 1,000 live births. The rate for Canada was 54. "If the national rate was 35 per 1,000 births, it would mean a saving of about 5,000 babies in one year," Dr. Couture points out.

Parents everywhere are urged to protect their children against whooping cough, smallpox, diphtheria and scarlet fever. It is said that "a nation marches forward on the feet of its little children." Surely, children are our most precious asset. Let us make sure that more of them will live to inherit Canada.



Don't take needless chances with untended remedies. Relieve your child's cold with Vicks VapoRub. Double-action, double-duty.

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## The Final Goal

Allies Will Not Stop Until They Have Reached Berlin

Where are we going? To Berlin. It is not for us to know by which route we shall travel. We may go through Italy or via the Balkans. We may land in southern France, in Norway, in Denmark, on the coastline which confronts our own shores.

We may do all these things. But these are only stepping stones to the final goal. It is in Berlin itself that we intend to smash the German war machine and purge the German race. Three years ago we stood alone, stripped by Goliath of all but the sling and the smooth, round stone. But we were inspired to deeds deemed impossible. The sling and the stone were once again enough. Now we attack, and the beast—apparently very strong, formidable and ferocious, yet possibly near the point of cracking when it is caged.

—London Sunday Express.

## GEMS OF THOUGHT

CHRISTIAN BROTHERHOOD

The brotherhood of man is an integral part of Christianity no less than the Fatherhood of God; and to deny the one is no less infidel than to deny the other.—Lynman Abbott.

For both he that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified are all of one; for which cause he (Jesus) is not ashamed to call the brethren.—Hebrews 2:3.

The scientific unity which exists between God and man must be wrought out in life-practice, and God's will must be universally done.—Mary Baker Eddy.

The only hope of avoiding war is to accept Christianity as a way of life, not only in our private affairs, but in all public and international contacts.—Cannon Sheppard.

Our doctrine of equality and liberty and humanity comes from our belief in the brotherhood of man, through the fatherhood of God.—Calvin Coolidge.

The crest and crowning of all good, Life's final star, is Brotherhood.—Edwin Markham.

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Edmonton made — this parka is the ideal winter garment, strong windproof khaki drill shell, warmly lined with heavy warm doeskin, double windproof fly front, buttoned, waist and throat adjustment, fur trimmed warmly lined hood. .36-40; long according to size. Special ..... **13.95**

### MEN'S TWEED PANTS

Edmonton made from heavy Canadian wool tweed in dark brown shade. This is a good looking warm pant at a moderate price ..... **4.75**

### BOY'S BREEKS

Heavy navy blue wool Breeks for boys; sizes 10 to 16; double knees and seat, belt loops and buttons .... **2.95**

### BOY'S JACKETS

Smartly made woven jackets for boys for school and better wear, neat, attractive, warm, ..... **3.75 and 4.75**

### MEN'S OV. HOUSE COATS

These warm cozy all wool coats make an ideal undergarment to wear under coat or jacket; good shades, all sizes ..... **3.50**

### MEN'S PYJAMAS

Arrow made from Canadian flannel-ette in blue and pink stripe; well made throughout; sizes C-E ..... **2.75**

### NEW PRINTS

Several new print patterns floral designs, and sturdy long wearing good washing stripe; 36 inches wide ..... **23c and 29c**

### WOOLETTE

Some new patterns in cozy warm wolette for women and children's night wear, good colors and the best weight ..... **25c**

### WABASSO SHEETING

Best grade long staple unbleached sheeting, 85 inches wide; this new number is strong, sturdy, economical. Per yard ..... **69c**

### MISSIE'S PYJAMAS

Sizes 8-14, Edmonton made from fancy patterns Yama and wolette; a nice range of patterns, and all sizes now in stock; also some ..... **1.39 and 1.75**

### STRIPE FLANNELETTE

Stripe 36 inch Canadian standard flannelette, stripe patterns, in pink and blue ..... **25c**

### WOOL GLOVES

Warm Canadian made all wool Gloves, splendid quality, fancy or plain patterns misses' and women's sizes ..... **79c**

### WOMEN'S OVERSHOES

Slip-on style women's black cashmerette overshoes, mid heel, inch tops; special ..... **2.49**

## Groceries

### APPLES

Solid pack late MacIntosh Apples sound, snappy, full of flavor C Grade

**2.98**

### NEW HEINZ' SOUP

New pack Heinz Condensed Soup is flavored economical

Tomato ..... 2 for 25c  
Mushroom or Asparagus, 2 for 35c

### OLIVES

new pack Spanish Olives for Xmas, plain or stuffed, per bot. 35c, 45c, 59c

### MARMALADE

Aylmer Marmalade, 2 lb. jars (4 coupons) ..... **35c**

### OYSTER SHELL

Recleaned American Shell, 80 lb. box ..... **1.95**

### MAPLE SYRUP

16-oz. bottle Pure Syrup (1 coupon) ..... **41c**

## J. C. McFarland Co.

IRMA

ALBERTA

## Bank of Montreal Annual Statement

Resources Over \$1,313,000,000  
With Nearly \$800,000,000 in Government and Other Bonds  
—Strong Position Maintained.

Increased Profits Go Largely to Meet Higher Federal Taxes.

Reflecting increased business in practically every department — with outstanding expansion in holdings of Dominion Government bonds indicating wider participation in the nation's war effort — the 126th annual report of the Bank of Montreal, issued today, shows total assets at an all-time high of \$1,313,000,000 and may be regarded as an impressive exhibit of the economic strength and stability of the country in this fifth year of war.

Profits for the year which ended October 30, after deduction of taxes payable to the Dominion Government, amounted to \$3,302,816, showing an increase of \$19,816 over the previous year, this representing a return of 4.30 per cent. on the shareholders' equity, which compares with 4.31 per cent. shown a year ago; 4.51 per cent. was shown in the 1941 report. With greater business activity this figure might have been

expected to be higher, but increased taxes have practically offset the effect of enlarged gross earnings. At a figure nearly \$375,000 higher than in 1942, the bank's Dominion Government tax bill for the current year amounted to \$2,913,000. Of this amount, \$165,000 is refundable under the provisions of the Excess Profits Tax Act.

Deposits — the largest item in the balance sheet and one which best shows public confidence in the institution — have shown a marked advance in the twelve-month period, notwithstanding the heavy inroads made into surplus funds by subscribers to Victory Loans. Under the deposit heading the bank shows an amount of \$1,205,874,000 which is \$140,000,000 above the figure for 1942, which constituted a record at that time.

As would be expected, the bank's holdings of Government and other securities have risen sharply and now stand at \$799,462,000 compared with \$683,835,000 a year ago. The bank's investment portfolio, as always, is made up in a large measure of Dominion Government and high grade provincial and municipal securities, which mature at early dates.

In line with this is the increase in the bank's quickly available resources which amount to \$1,035,000,000, being 83.81 per cent. of liabilities to the public. An increase of nearly \$10,000,000 in these resources is recorded in cash on hand and money on deposit with the Bank of Canada which together stand at \$122,277,000 as against \$112,710,000.

Notes of the bank in circulation show a reduction from \$15,354,000 to \$9,790,000, reflecting the trend in which began some years ago when under the terms of revised banking legislation, the chartered banks commenced the gradual reduction of their note circulation in favor of the Bank of Canada.

### ITEMS OF INTEREST IN THE WORLD OF FOODSTUFFS

Spain's wheat crop shows a serious deficiency as a result of abnormally hot weather in May and June — The outlook for the 1944 U.S. wheat crop is very promising at present — Reports indicate the need for rain in many sections of the Balkans.

Harvesting of the new crops is under way in the Argentine and yields are reported good — Canadian flour, exports during the 1942-43 season constituted a new record: 12,375,215 barrels of 196 lbs. each were shipped abroad — English millers are now using 52½ per cent. of home grown wheat in their mixture, as compared with the average of 33-1-3 prior to the war.

## LOCALS

According to official figures there were 773 bond sales by the Winwright-Irma unit during the Fifth Victory Loan campaign. These sales put the unit over the top with 112.1 per cent. of its quota — a very good record. In the rural part of Northern Alberta Mundare topped the list, raising 218 per cent. of its quota; while Cadomin and Sanguda raised 88.2 and 78.2 per cent. respectively.

The Irma Branch of the Canadian Red Cross Society wish to heartily thank the ladies of Sunny Brae and Crescent Hill districts for the cash contributions raised by selling lunches at auction sales in their districts. This amount will be a great help to the members of the Irma Branch in carrying on their share of Red Cross work.

Margery and Betsy McKean were pleased to hear their parent voices over the radio in a Christmas message last Sunday morning. An event of this kind seems to shorten the distance between parents in the Old Country and their children in Canada and the United States.

Mrs. F. McDowell and daughter, Helen, of Mannville, visited friends in Irma last Sunday.

Mr. Ernest Peterson was taken to the Viking Hospital last Monday evening for medical treatment.

Mrs. M. M. Tripp is visiting in Edmonton this week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Raham, of Bank End, Sask., are spending the winter here at the home of his son, Mr. A. T. Raham and family.

Misses Frances Barss and Edna Jones, of Edmonton, spent last week-end at home, and took in the wedding dance on Saturday evening.

Pte. Frances Quinlan, C.W.A.C., was home from an Eastern Canada training camp on furlough last week.

An enjoyable wedding dance was held in Kiefer's Hall last Saturday evening following the McMillan-Carrington wedding.

Are you interested in the series of Whist Drives sponsored by the L.O.B.A. The next one is on Wednesday evening, December 8.

## News of Our Boys

Stanley Guiltner has enlisted for active service in the R.C.A., and is training in Eastern Canada.

Irma friend will be glad to know that Elbert Levitt, of Provost, formerly of Irma, has arrived back in Canada from Sicily, where he was wounded, with the result that he has since been discharged from the army.

Mrs. Clarence Carter received the following clipping on November 30th from her husband, who is stationed in England. This clipping was taken from an English newspaper and will be interesting reading for Irma and district folks:

**Lisson Destroys Two As a Start**  
Engaging the enemy for the first time in his operational career, FL Harold Lisson, a Mosquito pilot from North Edmonton, shot down two German aircraft in double-quick time last Monday night.

Lisson, a former school teacher, spotted the first of his victims as a dark shape against the ground. "He blew up in the air and I had to pull up steeply to miss the bits," he said later. "As it was I flew through some of the debris."

Stooping around to see what else they could find, Lisson and his navigator, PO. Arthur Franklin, Zelandia, Sask., spotted another kite a little below them and went down after it. A short burst was enough to set the German aflame. "He began to burn from end to end," Lisson reported, "and the outline of the flaming mass told me it was a Junkers 88."

To extract onion juice, cut onion in half and squeeze on squeezer as you do when extracting lemon or orange juice.

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## POSTAL POINTERS

War responsibilities have greatly increased the work of the Postal Service — last year the volume of Christmas mail made a new high record — this year it may reach even greater proportions. It is in your interests that you ADDRESS CORRECTLY and LEGIBLY, PACK CAREFULLY and MAIL EARLY. Christmas mailing MUST BE SPREAD OVER A LONGER PERIOD THIS YEAR.

### CHRISTMAS and NEW YEAR CARDS —

LETTER RATE, if sent in sealed envelopes. Advantages: May be sealed — May contain written messages — Will be redirected or returned if undelivered at original address — PREFERENCE IN DELIVERY.

ONE CENT for two ounces to each separate address anywhere, if sent unenclosed or in OPEN (flap folded inside) envelope, provided cards do not bear correspondence other than a seasonal expression not exceeding five words, such as "Compliments of the Season," "Happy Christmas," etc., and name of sender.

Save waiting — purchase your supply of stamps BEFORE the rush begins and have your mail ready for posting when mailing time comes.

P.S. — If you don't care to stand in line for your mail during the rush season you may rent a Post Office Box for one month, any time in December, for only 25c. Remember: mail for the boxes is sorted first.

## Irma Post Office Staff



**DON'T  
PILE ON THE COAL  
CLIMB INTO WARMER CLOTHES**

COAL IS SCARCE! — Wasting fuel by overheating your home is unpatriotic. It has long been recognized that moderate temperatures are better for the health. To ensure comfort, get into warmer clothes rather than pile on more fuel.

Tests show that for every degree over 68° coal consumption is increased 3%. Keep your home at 68° instead of 76° may save almost a quarter of your fuel. Ask your local fuel dealer for your free copy of the booklet "33 WAYS TO SAVE ONE TON IN FIVE" today.

Save one ton in five

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THE DEPARTMENT OF MUNITIONS AND SUPPLY

HON. C. D. HOWE, Minister

## TRAVEL BY BUS

Here's how you can help with our Nation's Transportation problem:

1. Travel on Tuesdays and Thursdays instead of on crowded week-ends.
2. Avoid travelling on holidays during the rush season.
3. If you are sometimes inconvenienced, smile it off as a contribution to winning the war.
4. Consult your Agent or Driver for travel information.

## Sunburst Motor Coaches Ltd

## Kinsella Kernels

FREE PRESS IS BULWARK OF NATION

National Newspaper Week again affords an opportunity for us to renew our faith in the principles of democracy and to re-appraise our efforts to sustain that Democracy against our enemies. In this supreme war effort, the daily and weekly newspapers of America are charged with a great responsibility. It is their task to keep the people fully and wisely informed, to record and publish those sober facts that will steady the helm and even the keel of a nation tossed on the sea of war-time uncertainty. Today the war news is betwixt us and it was a year ago. We are on the offensive; the enemy has been dislodged in many quarters. Yet the need for a sharp perspective, for a sure balance, for an intelligent evaluation of our gains and a cautious weighing of our future tasks is imperative. The enemy would confuse and disintegrate us with rumors and misunderstandings. Our most effective weapon against his malicious falsehoods is the truth, an accurate, full and fair presentation of the news in a free press. The rights of a free press are the safeguards of the people; the responsibilities of a free press are the commandments of the people. — Franklin D. Roosevelt.

### BIRTHS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Richard I. Schieck, at the Winwright hospital, on November 25th — a son.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Obert A. Lovig, at the Winwright hospital, on December 1st — a daughter.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Haakon Larson, at the Winwright hospital, on November 28th — a son, Lyle Haakon.

It is better to scrape potatoes than to pare them when preparing them for boiling, for much of the food value is directly under the skin.

Keep the tops of your spice tins very secure as the air tends to make spices lose their flavor.